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Cal Poly begins work on NCAA certification

Cal Poly is undertaking a year-long study of its athletics program to obtain National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I certification.

Areas to be reviewed are academic and financial integrity, rules compliance, and commitment to equity. Each area will be measured against national standards set by the NCAA.

The certification process – similar to academic accreditation – will help inform the campus and general public about Cal Poly's athletics programs and practices, said Glenn Irvin, associate vice president for academic affairs, who directs the certification steering committee.

The study will also affirm positive aspects of the program, identify areas of concern, and establish plans for improvements by setting priorities and directions.

During the process, findings will be made public on two different occasions, starting in mid-February. Responses from the campus and community will be invited, Irvin said.

By October 1997, the final self-study document will be forwarded to the NCAA. A team of outside officials will then visit campus to review the university's conclusions.

Area subcommittee chairs are:

- ♦Academic integrity – Michael Wenzl, English professor and faculty athletics representative.

- ♦Fiscal integrity – Vicki Stover, associate vice president for administration.

- ♦Equity – Phil Bailey, dean, College of Science and Mathematics.

- ♦Rules compliance – Allen Haile, director, Community Relations.

For more information, call Irvin at ext. 2246.

Trustee Considine to speak at Commencement

CSU Trustee and Cal Poly alum Jim Considine Jr. will give the featured address at Fall Commencement Saturday, Dec. 14.

Considine is senior vice president and a principle of Ryder, Stilwell Inc., an investment and asset management firm based in Los Angeles. He earned his bachelor's degree in business management from Cal Poly in 1968.

He was founding chairman of the Dean's Advisory Council of the College of Business and has been president of the Cal Poly Alumni Association and chairman of Annual Giving.

Considine was first appointed as a CSU trustee in 1991 and served as chairman from 1994 to 1996.

The morning ceremony for grads in business, engineering, science and mathematics, and education begins at 9:30 am in the Recreation Center.

The afternoon ceremony for agriculture, architecture and environmental design, and liberal arts will be at 2 pm.

About 950 students are candidates for diplomas and certificates.

Approximately 880 bachelor's degrees, 70 master's degrees, and three technical certificates are to be symbolically conferred.

Grad-level fee-waiver taxes to be refunded

Thanks to legislation recently signed by President Clinton, Cal Poly employees who were enrolled in graduate-level classes under the fee-waiver program between Jan. 1, 1995, and June 30, 1996, will be refunded taxes they paid on the fees waived.

The legislation reinstates the federal tax exclusion for graduate-level education for that period only.

The State Controller's Office will issue refunds in December for Social Security and Medicare taxes only.

Employees must apply directly to the IRS or the state Franchise Tax Board for a refund of federal and state taxes.

A letter explaining the refund process is to be sent to all affected employees.

Human Resources emphasizes that the tax exclusion is only effective through June 30, 1996. The university is required to report any fees waived for graduate-level classes taken during fall quarter 1996 and beyond as taxable.

Business Dean Boynton appointment extended

Bill Boynton, who has been serving as dean of the College of Business since Dec. 1, 1994, has been appointed to another three years, through summer 2000.

Boynton's reappointment was announced by President Baker and was based on consultation with the college's area coordinators and faculty and staff members, and in recognition of his work and leadership.

Kennedy Library sets December closings

The Kennedy Library will close from 11 am to 2 pm Wednesday, Dec. 18, and from 5 pm Tuesday, Dec. 24, to 8 am Thursday, Jan. 2.

Faculty members who need library materials during this time should make arrangements with the dean's office, ext. 2345, by Dec. 24.

Plant Shop to hold holiday open house today

The Cal Poly Plant Shop is to hold its Christmas Open House from 10 am to 6 pm today (Dec. 6).

The Environmental Horticultural Sciences Department invites the campus community to stop by for music, refreshments, gift-giving ideas, and decorating demonstrations.

Items to be sold include poinsettias, candle arrangements, houseplants, fresh and dried flowers, African violets, wreaths and swaths, and gift baskets.

Cal Poly Christmas trees on sale through Dec. 23

Christmas trees are on sale through Monday, Dec. 23, at the university tree farm.

The Natural Resources Management Department and Logging Sports Team are holding the sale, which will include Monterey pines from \$15 to \$40, firs at \$4 per foot, and "Charlie Brown" Monterey pines (described as "trees with character") at a reduced price.

The farm will be open from 3 to 5 pm weekdays and from 10 am to 5 pm weekends and is located on Stenner Creek Road just off Highway 1.

For more information, call natural resources management professor Doug Piirto at ext. 2968 or the department office at ext. 2702.

Nominations sought for Women of the Year

Nominations are being accepted by the Women's Programs and Services office for Cal Poly's first two "Woman of the Year" awards.

A faculty member and a staff member will be selected for outstanding achievement and will be honored at a luncheon during Women's Week 1997, planned from Saturday, Feb. 8, to Thursday, Feb. 20.

The awards will be granted to women who help improve the quality

of life for students, serve as role models or mentors for students, and meet or exceed the standards of their profession. Also, nominees should have enriched the life of the person nominating them.

Nomination forms, due Thursday, Dec. 12, can be picked up in UU 217.

For more information or to request a nomination form, call ext. 2600.

ASI has great stocking stuffer

The ASI is selling Discovery Dining Books, which offer discounts of up to 50 percent at more than 500 restaurants from Paso Robles to the San Fernando Valley.

The book contains coupons to such county restaurants as Mother's Tavern, McPhee's Steak House, and Picasso's, as well as two-for-one deals at theaters and golf courses and for deep sea fishing excursions.

Coupons also offer 50 percent off the regular price at more than 1,500 of the nation's top hotels.

The book, available at El Corral, costs \$24.95, and a portion of the proceeds goes to ASI to support such student programs as the political activism week, which was held earlier this quarter.

CPR Schedule

Next Friday's (Dec. 13) *Cal Poly Report* will be the final issue published this quarter.

Publication will resume Friday, Jan. 10, and continue every Friday during winter quarter.

Please remember, the deadline to submit an article for inclusion is 1 pm on the Friday before you'd like to appear.

Mail items to Jo Ann Lloyd, Communications Office, Heron Hall; fax to ext. 6533; or e-mail to polynews@o.boe.calpoly.edu.

For more information, call the Communications Office at ext. 1511.

CSU to fund projects in continuing education

The CSU Commission on the Extended University is looking for proposals for projects that aim to develop:

- ♦Outreach programs to underserved populations.
- ♦Statewide and regional instructional programs.
- ♦Distance education programs.
- ♦International programs.

Multicampus projects are especially encouraged. Grants of up to \$50,000 will be awarded.

Funds will be provided by the systemwide Continuing Education Reserve Fund, and Cal Poly's Extended Education office will award 25 percent matching grants.

For copies of the request for proposal, call Janice Engle at ext. 5935.

Winter SIS Plus training classes scheduled

Four Student Information Systems Plus (SIS+) training classes for new users will be offered during winter quarter, all in Chase Hall 104.

Employees need to complete a training session before they can receive a SIS+ account number and access the student database.

- ♦Tuesday, Jan. 28, 1:30 to 3 pm.
- ♦Wednesday, Feb. 12, 9:30 to 11 am.
- ♦Thursday, Feb. 27, 1:30 to 3 pm.

To reserve a space, call Betty Sawyer at ext. 1344.

Chamber Orchestra to be 3 pm -- not 8 -- Dec. 7

Please note that the Cal Poly Chamber Orchestra concert will begin at 3 pm Saturday, Dec. 7, in the Theatre. An article in the Nov. 22 issue of the *Cal Poly Report* mistakenly stated the concert would be at 8 pm.

We apologize for the confusion.

ADVANCEMENT**Emeritus prof Merriam to host Egyptian officials**

John Merriam, an emeritus bio-resource and agricultural engineering professor, is bringing three officials from Egypt's Irrigation Improvement Program (IIP) and Irrigation Advisory Service to campus this winter to provide them with information to update their irrigation system.

They will learn about the design and use of pipelines and reservoirs for upgrading their irrigation with a flexible-supply system that gives farmers control of their water supply.

The visitors' expenses are being paid by the Quasi Fund for Furthering Flexible Irrigation, a program under the Merriam Endowment for Irrigation and Water Management.

Merriam, who taught at Cal Poly from 1958 until 1978, and his wife, Sally, established the Merriam Endowment for Irrigation and Water Management in 1981 to provide support for the irrigation faculty of the Bioresource and Agricultural Engineering Department and make awards to irrigation students.

Nabil Nashed, head of IIP; Essam Barakat, head of the Irrigation Advisory Service; and Welliam Zaki, also of IIP, will become familiar with the upgraded irrigation practices used in California.

The group will also travel to the Coachella, Imperial and San Joaquin

valleys to see the pipelines and reservoirs in operation.

The Egyptian group's visit is the culmination of nine years' work by Merriam. He has also worked with groups improving irrigation methods in Sri Lanka, Pakistan and India, introducing the use of irrigation-class concrete pipes.

Although he first went to Egypt in 1987 to help update irrigation techniques, Merriam's efforts were stymied. He was able to improve some methods, but because of economics, he couldn't convince Egyptian farmers to give up productive farmland to build reservoirs – the backbone of the project.

On Merriam's last trip in September, one farmer agreed to keep the fishing rights to the reservoir in exchange for the land, "replacing agriculture with aquaculture."

The Quasi Fund for Furthering Flexible Irrigation, will also fund construction of a reservoir for a demonstration project. It is expected that the concept of flexible supply will be soon applied countrywide.

The Merriam endowment pays irrigation faculty members' travel expenses to attend conferences and present papers and conduct other work that will spread knowledge about effective irrigation.

Administrative changes in College of Ag

Former Associate Dean of the College of Agriculture Walter Mark is now director of Swanton Pacific Ranch, Cal Poly's student laboratory and working ranch near Santa Cruz.

Longtime Crop Science Department Head George Gowgani succeeds Mark as interim associate dean of the college.

During Mark's 24 years at Cal Poly, he has taught in the Natural Resources Management Department, served as director of institutional studies, interim vice provost, and academic program planner.

Gowgani began teaching in the Crop Science Department as a graduate student in 1967 and was named head of the department in 1987.

UU Reservation Office to close Dec. 20-Jan. 3

The UU Reservation Office will be closed from Friday, Dec. 20, through Friday, Jan. 3. To schedule UU facilities, call Linda Lee Thoresen at ext. 5807 by Thursday, Dec. 19.

Train travel made easier

The faculty, staff, and students can now take a bus from campus to connect with Amtrak trains headed south and north and in the San Joaquin Valley.

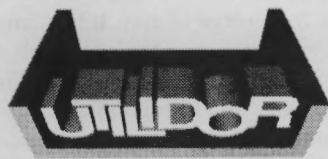
The buses pick up and drop off travelers daily in front of Vista Grande restaurant.

For schedule information dial (800) USA-RAIL (800/872-7245).

Utilidor to close inner perimeter

The utilidor trenching project will shut down all of the inner perimeter road (Poly View) during quarter break. Anyone who needs to coordinate deliveries to buildings in the affected areas should call Deby Ryan at ext. 6806.

Via Carta will not be affected by the construction.

CCAT and SLO buses change stops, routes

Central Coast Area Transit (CCAT) and San Luis Obispo city buses will temporarily change bus stops and some campus routes beginning Monday, Dec. 16, and continuing throughout utilidor construction.

Bus route maps will be installed at all stops – new and old – as well as other locations around campus such as the Grand Avenue Information Booth, Public Safety Services office, UU Information Desk, and the library. (See map on back page.)

The map is also on the utilidor home page, accessible via Cal Poly's home page under What's New(s).

For more utilidor information, call Deby Ryan at ext. 6806.

For other commuter information, call Jacquie Paulsen at ext. 6680.

Funds available to support multimedia development

Faculty and instructional staff members are encouraged to submit proposals for funds to develop multimedia or network-based curricula.

The Interactive Learning Group (ILG), an interdisciplinary faculty committee, is accepting proposals for awards of up to \$2,000.

The money could be used to pay student assistants to help with such time-consuming technical chores as transferring class handouts to World Wide Web pages or to help a teacher put a curriculum unit into an on-line tutorial.

Proposals should be no more than two pages and should include specific information about software, hardware,

curriculum content, and teaching goals. For proposal guidelines, call Janice Engle in the Faculty Instructional Development office at ext. 5935.

Send proposals to the Interactive Learning Group at Extended University Programs and Services, Faculty Instructional Development, Jespersen Hall.

The ILG, chaired by English professor Doug Smith, is committed to helping teachers discover ways to use technology to improve their courses. ILG funding comes from the Faculty Instructional Development office in Extended University Programs and Services.

For more information, call Engle.

Participants sought for Women's Week 1997

The Women's Programs and Services office is planning its 15th annual Women's Week celebration and is seeking participation by faculty and staff members and students who would like to give a lecture or workshop.

This year's event, "Women's History: The Full Spectrum," is scheduled from Saturday, Feb. 8, through Thursday, Feb. 20.

Clubs and organizations are also encouraged to take part in an interactive display that will focus on women's issues.

Special events will include the Women Composers' Concert and Art Exhibit and a dance concert by Cal Poly's dance ensemble, Orchesis.

"Spotlight on Women: A Night of Serious Fun!" is planned specifically for clubs and organizations to showcase their special focus on women and their accomplishments.

Anyone interested in joining the celebration should call the Women's Programs and Services office at ext. 2600 for a proposal application.

Service Awards Luncheon set for Jan. 30



A Mardi-Gras-style celebration is planned for the annual Service Awards Luncheon set from 11:30 am to 1 pm Thursday, Jan. 30, in Chumash Auditorium.

This year's event will honor 38 state, foundation and ASI employees for 25 or more years of service. Those being honored for 30 years are: David Simpson, Foundation; Edward Wilk, Academic Affairs; Connie Breazeale, College of Agriculture; Harold Cota, College of Engineering; William Johnson, College of Liberal Arts; Tom Hale, Dwayne Head, Dennis Homan, Christine Lancellotti, Pratapsinha Pendse (posthumously), and David Roach, College of Science and Mathematics.

Those being honored for 25 years are: Harvey Blatter, Business Affairs; Darrell Bennett and Patricia Stout,

Student Affairs; Joseph Amanzio and Joseph Feldman, College of Architecture and Environmental Design; Fred Abitia, Timothy Kersten, and Panagiotis Papakyriazis, College of Business; David Romero, College of Engineering; Hank Apfelberg, Warren Deley, James Hutchinson, Richard Kranzdorf, Dan Krieger, Bianca Rosenthal, Phil Ruggles, Charles Strong, George Suchand, and Bob Ward, College of Liberal Arts; Joseph Boone, David Chipping, Robert Cichowski, David Grady, Pam Parsons, Thomas Schumann, Keith Stowe and James Westover, College of Science and Mathematics.

The Cajun Moon Buffet luncheon will feature chicken Tchoupitoulas or Cajun tofu, "dirty rice," Louisiana vegetables, green salad, corn muffins, beverage and dessert. The tickets cost \$8 and can be bought through Thursday, Jan. 23, from: Anne Arnett, Transportation Services, ext. 2451; Geri Bolivar, Facility Services, ext. 2321; Jill DeMers, Physical Education and Kinesiology, ext. 2545; Maria Gomez-Jauregui, Payroll, ext. 5866; Zoe Saba, University Center for Teacher Education, ext. 2583; Denice Wharton, El Corral, ext. 5332; Lori Williams, Health Center, ext. 5267; and Jane Yurasek, Foundation, ext. 5580.

Eleven campus employees win prizes at EAP event

More than 120 people attended the recent health and wellness fair sponsored by the Employee Assistance Program.

Door prizes donated by Tiger's Folly, Applebee's, Pacific Cafe, Sea Venture, Harbor Hut, Benvenuti, G.A.F. Co., and Natural Flavors were won by George Glaser, Information Technology Services; Jack Scott, Agribusiness; Victor Brancart, Fiscal Services; Jim Hoffman, Facilities Planning; Chris Kennedy, Disabled Student Services; Jean DeCosta, EAP; Nikki Bowen, Library; Richard Grise, Information Technology Services; Kathy Blackburn, Catering; Leslie Cooper, Academic Senate; and Rita Zamora, State Accounting.

Boston Bagel Co. donated bagels and cream cheese for the event.

Dateline

Admission charged — \$

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

Women's Basketball: Cal Poly Tournament: Colorado State, Idaho State, Fresno Pacific. Also on Saturday, Dec. 7. Mott Gym, 6 and 8 pm. (\$)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

Men's Basketball: Air Force Academy, Mott Gym, 1 pm. (\$)
Music: Cal Poly Chamber Orchestra Fall Concert. Theatre, 3 pm. (\$)

Women's Basketball: Cal Poly Tournament: Colorado State, Idaho State, Fresno Pacific. Mott Gym, 6 and 8 pm. (\$)

Music: A Christmas Celebration featuring the Cal Poly Men's and Women's choirs, PolyPhonics, and the Alumni Choir. Performing Arts Center, Harman Hall, 8:30 pm.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

Commencement: The colleges of Business, Engineering, and Science and Mathematics and the University Center for Teacher Education will begin their ceremony at 9:30 am. The ceremony for the colleges of Agriculture, Architecture and Environmental Design, and Liberal Arts will be at 2 pm. Rec Center Gymnasium.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

Academic Holiday: Holiday for all academic-year employees. Through Sunday, Jan. 5.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20

Women's Basketball: San Jose State, Mott Gym, 7 pm. (\$)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25

Holiday: Christmas holiday break. Through Sunday, Dec. 29. Campus will be closed except for needed emergency services.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30

Women's Basketball: Fresno Pacific, Mott Gym, 7 pm. (\$)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1

Holiday: New Year's Day. Campus will be closed except for needed emergency services.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4

Men's Basketball: Portland State, Mott Gym, 1 pm. (\$)

Wrestling: Purdue University, Mott Gym, 7 pm. (\$)

MONDAY, JANUARY 6

Winter Quarter classes begin.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7

Wrestling: Oklahoma State, Mott Gym, 7 pm. (\$)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9

Men's Basketball: New Mexico State, Mott Gym, 7 pm. (\$)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

Wrestling: University of Oklahoma, Mott Gym, 7:30 pm. (\$)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

Men's Basketball: UC Santa Barbara, Mott Gym, 7 pm. (\$)

MONDAY, JANUARY 13

Exhibit: The American Institute of Graphic Artists: Traveling Exhibit of Professional Graphic Designers. Through Sunday, Feb. 9. University Art Gallery, Dexter.



Position vacancies

Vacancy information and applications for the following positions are available from the appropriate Human Resources office. Vacancy information can also be accessed from the Cal Poly home page on the World Wide Web (address: <http://www.calpoly.edu>; click on "General Information" and "Current Events").

STATE (Adm. 110, ext. 2236 or job line at ext. 1533). Official application forms must be received by 4 pm of the closing date or be postmarked by the closing date. (No faxes)

CLOSING DATE: Dec. 27

#77069: Buyer II/III, Support Services (Unit 7)*, Buyer II: \$2693-\$3292/mo.-Buyer III: \$2963-\$3621/mo., dependent on qualifications and experience; one position is temporary to 6/30/97 with possible extension.

CLOSING DATE: Dec. 20

#77070: Clerical Assistant III, ITS, Communications Services, Telephone Administration (Unit 7)*, \$2020-\$2393/mo.

CLOSING DATE: Dec. 23 or until filled

#7M071: Director, Corporate and Foundation Relations

Position: The director of corporate and foundation relations is responsible for planning, organizing, and directing a comprehensive fund-raising program to identify and attract external resources to Cal Poly from national, regional, and local corporations, businesses, and foundations.

Qualifications: Bachelor's degree required; master's degree preferred. At least five years of advancement experience, preferably in a university setting.

Salary: The hiring salary range for the position is \$65,000-\$75,000 annually.

Application Procedures: Interested applicants must complete a Cal Poly management application and should include a current resume and the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of at least three professional references. Direct specific inquiries regarding the position to: William Boldt, vice president for university advancement, at ext. 1445.

CLOSING DATE: Dec. 20

#77072: Clerical Assistant II, Academic Skills Center (Unit 7)*, \$1010-\$1196.50/mo., temporary, halftime with annual renewal.

CLOSING DATE: Dec. 27

#74073: Academic Advisors (Student Services Professional IA (Trainee) & Student Services Professional II), Student Academic Services, SSP IA: \$2285-\$2488/mo., temporary two-year trainee appointment. SSP II: \$2801-\$3366/mo. Both positions require occasional weeknight and weekend work. Direct specific inquiries regarding the positions to: Susan Somppi, EOP coordinator, at ext. 2301.

CLOSING DATE: Jan 3 or until filled

#7M074: Engineering Services Administrator (Admin I), Facility Services, \$48,744-\$52,800 annually, commensurate with the background and experience of the individual selected. Direct specific inquiries regarding the position to: Bob Pahlow, assistant director, Facility Services, at ext. 5223.

***Note:** For positions marked with an asterisk, qualified on-campus applicants currently in Bargaining Units 2, 5, 7, and 9 will be given first consideration.

CCAT and SLO bus stops

